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ATTENTION: DN (Captain Horn, 5901)

SUBJECT: Your Request of 24 August 1979 for Declassification
of a Number of NIS Sections 23, Weather and Climate

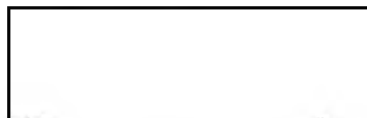
Dear Captain Horn:

In partial reply to your subject request, we are attaching two lists of Sections 23 that we have determined may be declassified. These lists coincide with your own--those produced before 1959 and those produced after. We will continue with the review of the others and will inform you accordingly, hopefully by the end of this month.

Please accept our apologies for the long delay in getting even this initial response to you. By way of explanation, the NIS sections, being an interdepartmental product, pose a special problem for classification review. The Central Intelligence Agency was the editorial and publication agency for the NIS program and, therefore, is the custodian of the record copies. Nevertheless, most of the various sections were produced by other agencies, who must be consulted on any change in classification. For some time we have been trying to set up some kind of interdepartmental mechanism for the systematic review of such joint products. We hope for some accomplishment in this matter soon.

Our task has been made somewhat easier in the case of your request, because it came from the producing agency itself along with your statement that you considered those listed to be declassifiable. The response to those sections not listed in the attached is delayed because we must check the sensitivity of some portions, mostly concerned with sourcing. We will reply on these as quickly as possible.

Very truly yours,



Chief, Classification Review Division
Information Services Staff
Directorate of Administration

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Attachments: As stated

DOCUMENTS PRODUCED EARLIER THAN OCT 1959 (Section 23 - Weather and Climate)

| <u>Country:</u> | <u>NIS Number:</u> | <u>Date:</u> | |
|--------------------------|--------------------|--------------|------|
| Brazil-I | 94-1 | 10/54 | |
| Brazil-II | 94-II | 12/54 | |
| Ceylon | 77 | 4/54 | |
| Chile | 89 | 9/56 | |
| Cuba | 98 | 5/59 | |
| Equatorial Africa | 42 | 10/55 | |
| French Guiana | 951 | 2/59 | |
| Hawaiian Islands | 98 | 3/57 | |
| Madagascar | 62 | 5/55 | |
| | | | STAT |
| Mozambique | 58 | 4/56 | |
| South Africa | 41 | 4/55 | |
| Southwest Pacific Is. | 102 | 1/55 | STAT |
| Surinam | 953 | 1/59 | |
| US Caribbean Possessions | 84 | 1/58 | |
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DOCUMENTS PRODUCED AFTER OCT 1959 (Section 23 - Weather and Climate)

| <u>Country:</u> | <u>REF Number:</u> | <u>Date:</u> |
|------------------------|--------------------|--------------|
| Bolivia | 93 | 1/64 |
| Communist China Part I | 39A | 2/63 |
| Communist China Part V | 39A | 2/64 |
| Dominican Republic | 80 | 7/63 |
| Luxembourg | 6 | 12/62 |
| Mongolia | 40 | 4/66 |
| Nationalist China | 303 | 1/63 |
| | | |
| Philippines | 74 | 2/67 |
| USSR Part II | 18 | 3/60 |
| USSR Part III | 26 | 1/62 |
| USSR Part IV | 26 | 6/63 |
| USSR Part V | 30 | 5/62 |

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